UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

JOEL CHRISTOPHER HOLMES,

Petitioner,

v.

JOHN LOVICK,

JOINTEOVICK

Respondent.

CASE NO. C11-1097RSM

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Court, having considered the Report and Recommendation of the Honorable Brian A. Tsuchida, United States Magistrate Judge; petitioner's objections; respondent's response to the objections; and the balance of the record, does now FIND and ORDER:

- (1) The Report and Recommendation is APPROVED and ADOPTED;
- (2) The Court shall exercise discretion under 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b)(2) to consider the petition on the merits, notwithstanding petitioner's failure to exhaust all claims;
- (3) The petition is DENIED on the merits for the reasons set forth in the well-reasoned Report and Recommendation, and DISMISSED with prejudice;
 - (4) The Court DENIES issuance of a certificate of appealability; and
 - (5) The Clerk shall send a copy of this Order to all parties and to Judge Tsuchida.

DATED this 16 day of April 2012.

RICARDO S. MARTINEZ

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE